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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC, MOPS, EC, PE, US
SUBJ: POSSIBLE CRANK THREAT TO ECUADOREAN PRESIDENT

1. UNDERSECRETARY VALDEZ CALLED EMBASSY OFFICER TO FONOFF LATE AFTERNOON THIRD OCTOBER TO PASS ALONG FOLLOWING TELEGRAM RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ PREVIOUS DAY FROM INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA:

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PREREPUBLICA
PALACIOGOBIERNO
QUITO
SUSPENDA PARADMILITAR 9 AFIRMATIVO PERU ATACARA
ENCUARTELE RESERVASRAPIDO ORGANIZE DEFENSACIVIL
ORDENE ALERTAGENERAL
COMANDO HCFG
COL 9"

2. EMBASSY TRANSLATES OPERATIVE PORTION TEXT AS FOLLOWS: "SUSPEND MILITARY PARADE NINTH (OF OCTOBER -- LOCAL PATRIOTIC ANNIVERSARY). AFFIRMATIVE PERU WILL ATTACK. CALL OUT RESERVES RIGHT AWAY. ORGANIZE CIVIL DEFENSE. ORDER GENERAL ALERT. (SIGNED) HCFG COMMAND, COL(UMN) 9".

3. CABLE COMPANY TRACER SHOWS "SENDER FULL NAME R WILSON 217 CONFIDENTIAL

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WITH SPANISH TELEGRAFIC STYLE.

4. VALDEZ INDICATED BOTH HE AND PRESIDENT CONSIDERED TELEGRAM
WORK OF A CRANK AND NEITHER INCLINED TO TAKE IT SERIOUSLY.
HOWEVER, PRESIDENT HAD ASKED THAT IT BE PASSED TO EMBASSY
FOR ANY ACTION WE DEEMED APPROPRIATE.

5. PLEASE ADVISE ANY ACTION TAKEN AND RESULTS THEREOF.
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